25. A lead-acid battery comprising:

a container having a plurality of cells formed therein, each of said plurality of cells having an electrolyte contained therein, each of said plurality cell comprising a plurality of positive grids and a plurality of negative grids, each of said plurality of positive grids having a lead alloy composition consisting essentially of:

0.05 - 0.07 weight percent of calcium;

0.9 - 1.3 weight percent of tin;

0.006 - 0.010 weight percent of silver;

0.010 - 0.017 weight percent of barium; and

0.015 - 0.025 weight percent of aluminum, a balance of the composition being lead.

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REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendments, previous Claims 1 - 3 have been canceled and new Claims 4 - 5 substituted therefor. Reconsideration of the rejections, in light of the foregoing amendments and present remarks, is respectfully requested. The present amendments have been entered for the purpose of placing the claim language into a more proper U.S. format and also for purpose of more clearly distinguishing the present invention from the prior art.

In the Official Action, it was indicated that Claims 1 - 3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by the Prengaman patent. Claims 1 - 3 were also rejected as being obvious over the Prengaman patent under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

As an overview to the present reply, Applicant has revised original Claims 1 - 3 in the form